## **CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION**

**Title of publication:** dcc3ab0f528aa4becd24475f2085b869.png

Other known title(s): 8-325293

**OFLC ref:** 1700476.001

**Medium:** Computer Image File

**Publisher:** Not stated

Country of origin: Not stated

Language: Not applicable

**Applicant:** Commissioner of Police

Classification: Objectionable.

**Descriptive note:** None

**Display conditions:** None

**Date of entry in Register:** 13 September 2017

Date of direction to issue

a label:

No direction to issue a label has been issued

**Date of notice of decision:** 12 September 2017

## Summary of reasons for decision:

The computer image file promotes and supports the exploitation of children for sexual purposes and is deemed to be objectionable. It is a sexually explicit illustration of a young girl being sexually abused. The only purpose of the image is to arouse viewers with a sexual interest in children. The digital format allows the image to be easily disseminated among like-minded people. This classification interferes with the right to freedom of expression as provided by the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990. However, this is an outcome that is consistent with Parliament's intention that publications falling under s3(2) of the FVPC Act are deemed to be objectionable, and it reflects the concern of a free and democratic society to protect children and young persons from exploitation and harm.